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RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed November 29, 2007, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on April 4, 2004; June 30, 2004; October 12, 2004; January 10, 2005; January 27, 2005; March 3, 2005; March 14, 2005; May 17, 2005; October 25, 2005; December 8, 2005; March 16, 2006; May 4, 2006; September 8, 2006; September 18, 2006; March 5, 2007; and October 1, 2007.

Claims 39, 40, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59-61 and 66-69 are pending in the present application, of which claims 39, 40, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55 and 56 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Paragraph 3 of the Official Action rejects claims 39, 43, 60, 61 and 66-68 as obvious based on the combination of U.S. Patent No. 5,229,644 to Wakai and